

REMARKS

The Office Action of July 20, 2006 presents examination of claims 1-13, limited in subject matter as set forth therein. Claims 14-16, directed to agents and methods for treatment of various recited disorders, were not considered.

The Examiner has objected to claim 1, indicating that the lack of a closing parenthesis renders the claim a bit confusing. Claim 1 is amended by reformatting the text to clarify the definition of "X" and separate its definition from that of R¹.

The claims are further amended to limit them to the examined subject matter as required.

The "agent" claim 14 (reciting an intended use) and "use" claim 16 are canceled as redundant or non-statutory. Applicants submit that, since the Examiner has apparently found the composition claims 1-13 allowable, the method of use claim 15 should be rejoined to the present application and allowed. MPEP § 821.04.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Mark J. Nuell (Reg. No. 36,623) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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